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SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" Was this officer taken from the Presidency College to the Public Service Commission just to give him a chance to be in service beyond the 55th year? If, however, he is entitled to be in service according to the Constitution, will the Government persuade the Andhra Government to take him for one year? "

THE HON SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I do not know wherefrom the hon. Member gets this ' one year '. The officer is entitled to be in service till 3rd January 1959."

SRI S. PANCHAKSHARAM :—" Cannot the Government persuade Dr. Haq to resign his job or devise means by which he will be made to resign? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I don't think it is advisable for the Government to take such an attitude."

Putting up of a " Changadam " at Punnakkadavu ferry in Payyanur, North Malabar.

* 1066 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Collector of Malabar has written to the Special Officer, Malabar District Board, to take steps to put up a " Changadam " at Punnakkadavu ferry in Payyanur, North Malabar, to facilitate communication and trade between Payyanur and Ramanthalai amsams?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" No. Sir."

Names of the villages selected for trying the Japanese method of paddy cultivation.

* 1067 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the names of the villages selected for trying the Japanese method of paddy cultivation in the State, the amount of money spent and the results up to the end of the year 1953?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" In this State, we have modified the Japanese method of paddy cultivation to suit local conditions. A list of villages selected in this State for trying the modified Japanese method is placed on the table of the House. No extra expenditure was incurred by this Government in connection with the popularization of the modified Japanese method of paddy cultivation in this State during 1953 as this work is attended to by the Agricultural Department staff as part of their normal work.

As regards the results, 12,893 acres of land were brought under the modified Japanese method of paddy cultivation in this State during 1953. The average increased yield per acre by the adoption of the modified method in the Tanjore,

Tiruchirappalli, South Kanara and Malabar districts compared to no manure or local treatments ranged from 22 per cent to 58 per cent. Six farmers who secured the highest yields under the modified method secured yields ranging from 6,500 lb. per acre to 9,625 lb. per acre."

Repairs to Sultan canal, Pazhayangadi, North Malabar.

*1068 Q.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state why the Sultan canal of Pazhayangadi, North Malabar, has not been repaired by the Government as usual?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI:—"No repairs were carried out to this canal for so many years in view of the uneconomic nature of the work."

Nationalisation of industries in the State.

*1069 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state whether the Government have received any proposal from the Planning Commission with regard to the nationalisation of industries in the State?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM:—"No, Sir."

10-10 a.m. *Landed property of the Manaithunainatha temple in Valivalam village, Nagapattinam taluk, Tanjore district.*

*1070 Q.—SRI S. VADIVELU: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments be pleased to state the extent and value of the landed property of Manaithunainatha temple in Valivalam village of Nagapattinam taluk, Tanjore district?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN:—"The answer is not readily available, Sir."

Amount allotted for loans to Rural Co-operative House Building Society in Tanjore district for 1954–55.

*1071 Q.—SRI S. RAMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the sum proposed to be allotted for loans to Rural Co-operative House Building Societies in Tanjore district for the year 1954–55?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY:—"A sum of Rs. 52,500 has been allotted for the grant of loans to Rural Housing Societies in Tanjore district for the year 1954–55."

Fish-curing yards on the West Coast.

*1072 Q.—SRI N. GOPALA MENON (on behalf of Sri T. Ananta Pai): Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) how many fish-curing yards there are on the West Coast;

(b) what exactly their functions are;

(c) the total quantity of salt sold to these yards in 1953; and

(d) the total cost of maintaining these yards?